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Planes Will Not Junk Ships Ordnance Head Tells View

THERE should be no fear that warships or battleships will be swept from the seas as a result of the development of the airplane, declares Maj. Gen. C. O. Williams, chief of army ordnance. "The development of anti-aircraft guns and the practice of carrying planes on battleships themselves are sufficient safeguard." The anti-aircraft gun has been so improved since the World War that enemy planes bent on bombing a city can be swept from the sky, the officer declared. Its improved range is 8400 yards when fired straight into the air, and the horizontal range is 17,000 yards. While these weapons would not stop scout work by airplanes, Maj. Gen. Williams said, they would be effective in keeping bombers from cities. New and improved deadly weapons of war were described by Gen. Williams. Among the weapons described were: High-speed tanks, with guns in turrets instead of in the body of the tank. A new trench mortar with greater accuracy of fire. A .50 caliber machine gun that will replace the .30 caliber gun used in the World War. A semi-automatic rifle for use as a shoulder weapon. It is now in the course of perfection. A 75-millimeter field gun that has a range of 15,000 yards, compared to the range of 9000 yards of those used in the World War. An increase in the range of all types by about one-fourth. The range of the 4.7-inch gun has been increased from 14,000 yards to 20,000 yards, and the weight of the projectile increased from 45 pounds to 50.5 pounds. The general also spoke of the 155-millimeter rifle firing a 95-pound projectile. Its range has risen from 18,000 to 26,000 yards. The ordnance department is also developing tractors to move artillery, remembering that when the World War began England was without tractors to move the big guns. "From the long-familiar Springfield rifle to our most powerful defense guns, and howitzers, a sweeping change is taking place at our testing fields and ordnance shops. John Browning has completed a new aircraft machine gun which will no doubt take the place of our present arm in this branch of the service." Describing the new tanks, with their higher speed, the general said that some of them will attain ten miles an hour and yet weigh not more than twenty tons. In place of the portholes in the main body of the tank, turrets surmount the new type, from which guns bristle.

Darrow's Cure for Crime Would Treat Evil Minds

THE establishment throughout the country of free institutions for the treatment of incipient mental disorders as a means of lessening crime was urged recently by Clarence Darrow, the attorney who defended Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold Jr. Darrow believes that most criminals are controlled by abnormal impulses, and that to prevent crime by making examples of criminals in punishing them is futile. In his opinion, the only hope of preventing crime lies in the timely treatment of mental and moral defects. "Science has proved," said Mr. Darrow, "that though insanity in its developed form may be incurable in many cases, the causes that bring about insanity and the abnormal states in which men and women commit crime can be eradicated by wise and early treatment. If a small portion of the money that is spent on prosecutions were devoted to the prevention of crime by treating those who through their mental deficiencies are potential criminals, a thousand miseries could be avoided and millions in money could be saved." Endorses Hospital Project Darrow's observations were issued in connection with his endorsement of the plan to establish the neuropathic hospital in New York at a cost of \$2,500,000. It is intended that the patients shall be treated free of charge, and its purpose is to attract for diagnosis and treatment those who, though showing signs of derangement, cannot be classed among the insane, and whose guardians shrink from committing them to insane hospitals. "The case of Loeb and Leopold is, after all, merely an isolated instance," said Darrow. "We must approach this problem in a broader spirit than by reference to one single unfortunate example. I am convinced that the most critical cases do not originate after the individual has reached the adult stage, but begin to develop very early in life. This, in itself, is an assurance that, if discovered and treated as quickly as possible after inception, the problem of curing them is not too difficult for modern science. The physician's skill becomes powerless only after the corrosion of the mental apparatus has proceeded to the stage of full development. "Modern science says that young mental defects can be adjusted to meet the problems of life in a normal manner. The eradication of abnormal tendencies very frequently offers no greater difficulties than are presented by slight physical deficiencies. Correct diagnosis, proper treatment, and healthful environment and influences can bring about cures that, in their wider application, spell crime prevention. "Of course there will always be cases which cannot be adjusted to the requirements of our social life. These

Wisdom Common Heritage Bankers and Gold Bricks

By CLARK KINNARD WISDOM does not belong to any man, or any body of men, alone, but to all of the people. In most humans it is dormant, in a few it finds articulation. The men known as wise are those able to speak, so all can understand, the lessons all have learned. No matter what you think, you can be sure that some one else is capable of thinking it.

The common wisdom of a race is expressed in its proverbs. The philosophy of the Aryan peoples is founded on such axioms as are given below. They are from the Sanskrit, the language spoken by the earliest Aryans:

The stone is worn away at last. In a strong position even a coward is a lion. A fool is honored in his own house; a proprietor is honored in his own village; a king is honored in his own country; a learned man is honored everywhere. A fool's refuge is a fool. He (truly) lives by whom many live. Non-injury is the highest religion. Those without a leader perish; those with many leaders perish.

Little learning, much pride. A king should not tolerate even his children breaking his commands; else what difference is there between a king and a picture of a king? When brothers divide wealth they themselves become divided.

If a man with eyes is led by somebody else, it is clear that he does not see with his eyes. In a good man wrath lasts for a moment; in a middling man, for two hours; in a base man, for a day and a night; in a great sinner, until death.

A mean fellow promises and does; a good man promises not but does. Sorrow for (the loss of) a father lasts six months; sorrow for a mother, a year; sorrow for a wife, until a second wife comes; sorrow for a son, forever. In the absence of men all women are chaste.

The king must answer for his country's sins; the priest for his king's sins; the husband for the wife's sins; and the Guru for the disciple's sins. The gem of learning is great wealth; it cannot be shared by cousins, nor lost by robbery, nor exacted by liberality.

IT is often the case that people of noble character and great mental gifts betray a strange lack of worldly wisdom and a deficiency in the knowledge of men, especially when they are young; with the result that it is easy to deceive or mislead them, and that, on the other hand, natures of the commoner sort are more ready and successful in making their way in the world.

The reason for this, as Arthur Schopenhauer saw it, is that when a man has little or no experience he must judge by his own antecedent notions, and in matters demanding judgment an antecedent notion is never on the same level as experience.

"For," he explained, "with the commoner sort of people an antecedent notion means just their own selfish point of view. "This is not the case with those whose mind and character are above the ordinary; for it is precisely in this respect—their selfishness—that they differ from the rest of mankind; and, as they judge other people's thought and actions by their own high standard, the result does not always tally with their calculation."

But if, in the end, Schopenhauer opined, a man of noble character comes to see, as the effect of his own experience or by the lessons he learns from others, "what it is that may be expected of men in general—namely, that four-sixths of them are morally intellectually so constituted that, if circumstances do not place you in relation to them, you had better get out of their way and keep as far as possible from having anything to do with them"—still he will scarcely ever attain an adequate notion of their nature; all his life long he will have to be extending and adding to the estimate he forms of them, and in the meantime he will commit a great many mistakes and do himself harm.

It should be borne in mind, advised Schopenhauer, that, in their intercourse with others, people are like the moon or like hunchbacks: they show you only one of their sides.

"Every man has an innate talent for mimicry—for making a mask out of his physiognomy, so that he can always look as if he really were what he pretends to be; and, since he makes his calculations always within the lines of his individual nature, the appearance he puts on suits him to a nicety, and its effect is extremely deceptive.

"He dons his mask whenever his object is to flatter himself into some one's good opinion; and you may pay just as much attention to it as if it were made of wax or cardboard, never forgetting that excellent Italian proverb: non e ri tristo cane che non meni la coda (there is no dog so bad but that he will wag his tail.)"

Mrs. Weisenheimer was starting for California; she was to winter among the California roses, and Mr. Weisenheimer was seeing her off.

"Darling," he said, in a choked voice, "I don't know what I'll do while you're away. My evenings, especially—these long New York winter evenings—they'll be so lonely."

"George," said Mrs. Weisenheimer, firmly, "during my absence you'll be looked after in that as in all other respects. When you reach home mother will be there. She is to remain till I get back. She'll cheer your evenings with her homely gossip, and solitude need never drive you from your warm fireside out into the dreary, cold, unfeeling city."

cases should be taken care of in ways far more humane than are at present the custom.

A Duty to Learn the Causes "The fact is that, were it not so sad, it would be laughable to think that we are spending millions annually on the prosecution of crime, while practically nothing is being done to prevent it.

"In considering crime, its cause and effect, the world must first be made to understand that, so long as all human conduct has a cause, it becomes the duty of civilization to learn that cause instead of devoting itself blindly to a study and punishment of the effects of evil human conduct."

Affairs of the Heart

By Mrs. Thompson BETWEEN LOVE AND FRIEND

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am 18 years old and am visiting in this city. I would like advice about a love affair in my own city. My girl friend has been going with a boy for some time and is very jealous of him. She is very angry even if he looks at me, even though I am her best friend. Some months ago when I was at a dance I met this boy and he asked if he might call me up and soon we found we liked each other very much. Now we are facing a serious problem. We do not want to tell her because it will be unpleasant for both of us. Should we go with each other and not tell her until she finds out, or what should we do? C. P. O. R. Since your girl friend is of a jealous nature you will probably lose her friendship when she finds you are going with the boy. If you are willing to have her turn against you, continue to go with him; but if you care more for her than you do for him, tell him you value him as a friend but you think it better not to go with him.

EVERYBODY LOVED HIM

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a young married woman. I married a fellow whom everybody loved. He is twelve years older than I am. But now everybody hates him, the way they all talk about him. I am so blue all the time I hardly know what to do. But now I am to become a mother and they still want me to leave him. When I tell him what they say he gets angry and tells me not to listen to them. What would you do? I am so heart-broken. PEGGY.

You are not loyal to your husband. Naturally it angers him when he finds you pay so much attention to what people say against him. If you love him, tell the rest of the world you don't care to listen to what they have to say, because you know him to be the only man in the world for you. For the sake of the little one who will soon enter your lives, try to stay with him and keep alive the love which joined you in marriage.

NEGLECTED LOVE

Dear Mr. Thompson: I am a young woman of age. My husband said he loved me, and I loved him. Since our first baby was born it has seemed as if he didn't care for me. Where he worked there was a young man who came to see him. After that he went out with him every night and he left me. But since he has come home to see the baby two or three times. He has acted as if he wanted to talk to me, but seemed ashamed. Do you think he will ever come back to me? THANK YOU. I imagine that in time he will be sorry what he has done and will want to live with you and the baby again. Do not suggest living together again unless he shows you he wants you. Be pleasant and give him an opportunity to speak, however.

LONESOME

Do not worry about it. People without color, envy a complexion like yours. The boy should write to you first. It would not be necessary to answer the note unless the boy asked if he might come at a future time.

NEW PRESIDENT OF U. S. BANKERS IS EX-IMMIGRANT



William Knox, president of the Bowery Savings Bank, New York City, is the new president of the American Bankers' Association. He came to this country from Ireland as an immigrant.

HOW'S YOUR HEALTH?

By Dr. W. F. Thompson

It's mostly those who sit and stew That are the victims of the "flu."

Dope for the cold is dough for the doctor.

More people die from overeating than from starvation.

There's safety in switches, But the safest of all is a snap button switch in your bathroom wall.

To treat the infirmities that occur past forty, begin at twenty.

Death at sixty is not due to old age; healthy people are yet young at sixty.

Heat with gas stoves all you please, Use precaution when you do; If you heat with such as these, Pipe your gas fumes to your fire.

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